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SUBJECT: MTN: TROPICAL PRODUCTS GROUP SEVENTH MEETING

REF: STATE 090870

FOLLOWING AIRGRAM RECEIVED FROM GATT SECRETARIAT SCHEDULING  
SEVENTH MEETING OF TROPICAL PRODUCTS GROUP FOR MAY 12-13.

BEGIN TEXT

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SUBJECT: GROUP "TROPICAL PRODUCTS"

1. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP "TROPICAL PRODUCTS" WILL BE HELD ON  
12-13 MAY, COMMENCING AT 10 A.M. ON THURSDAY 12 MAY IN ROOM XXI  
AT THE PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA.

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2. AS AGREED AT ITS LAST MEETING, THE GROUP IS EXPECTED TO (A)  
REVIEW DEVELOPMENTS WITH REGARD TO THE CONCESSIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS  
NOTIFIED AND THEIR IMPLEMENTATION; (B) REVIEW PROGRESS IN THE BILA-  
TERAL AND PLURILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS WHICH MAY HAVE TAKEN PLACE;  
(C) REVIEW THE QUESTION OF PROMOTING FURTHER PROGRESS IN NEGOTIA-  
TIONS RELATING TO TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS HAVING REGARD TO THE  
POINTS CONTAINED IN THE GUIDELINES (MTN/TP/1) AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE OTHER GROUPS OF THE TNC AND THEIR SUB-GROUPS  
(MTN/TP/7, PARAGRAPH 12).

3. AS BACKGROUND FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF POINT (A), A REVISED LIST OF REQUESTS AND OFFERS AS WELL AS OF CONCESSIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS HAS RECENTLY BEEN MADE AVAILABLE AS MTN/TP (SECRET)2/REV.1. A NOTE ON THE STATUS OF OFFERS AND CONTRIBUTIONS AND THEIR IMPLEMENTATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO PARTICIPANTS SHORTLY BEFORE THE MEETING. WITH REGARD TO POINT (B), DELEGATIONS MAY WISH TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE GROUP ON BILATERAL OR PLURILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS WHICH MAY HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THE LAST MEETING. DELEGATIONS MAY ALSO HAVE SOME OBSERVATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE WITH RESPECT TO POINT (C).

4. THE MEETING IS OPEN TO THOSE COUNTRIES HAVING AN INTEREST IN TRADE IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS WHICH HAVE INDICATED THEIR DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND HAVE THUS ASSUMED MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE. SUCH MEMBERS ARE ACCORDINGLY INVITED TO INFORM ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES WHO WILL ATTEND THE MEETING OF THE GROUP.

5. REPRESENTATIVES NOT HAVING YET REGISTERED FOR THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE CONFERENCE OFFICER, VILLA LE BOCAJE, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY ENTRANCE CARDS. O. LONG

END TEXT. WALKER

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